

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
)	Group Art Unit: 1637
MATSUHISA et al.)	
)	Examiner: BAUGHMAN, Molly E.
Application No.: 10/588,597)	
)	Confirmation No.: 9532
Filed: February 4, 2007)	
)	<u>AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE</u>
Attorney Docket No.: 5426FP-1)	
)	<i>Submitted Via Electronic Filing</i>
For: METHOD OF DETECTING)	
NUCLEIC ACID AND UTILIZATION)	
THEREOF)	

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated November 14, 2007, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of this application and continued examination of the claims in light of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks follow the amendment section of this paper.